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## Graduates first to use dial-a-class prereg

by Kevin Tucker  
News Editor

GW's graduate students will have first crack at a new, improved preregistration process via telephone this spring as administrators test the system before full implementation next fall, said Anthony Coates, GW assistant vice president for Academic Affairs.

"We've gone a couple of steps forward" in the quest for an efficient registration system, Coates said.

The new proposals recommend that course approval—previously held in the Smith Center—convert to a "compulsory telephone operation" utilizing current capabilities and "eliminating both time-consuming and inconvenient student lines and needless faculty involvement," he said.

As a first test, the University plans to preregister only graduate students with the new system this spring. "Everybody recommended testing it on a smaller group first," Coates said.

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## BRING IN SPRING



## GW student victim of 'brutal' murder

by Denise Helou  
Asst. News Editor

The body of Ralph Bailey, a GW student who lived in Capital Heights, Md., was found inside a car in Northeast Washington Tuesday after he was shot, stabbed and partly burned, D.C. Metropolitan Police said.

D.C. homicide Lt. Charles Bailey last night confirmed the identity of the body, which was found by Sixth District police officers alongside an embankment near Grant and 46th streets NE after they were notified by a passer-by. Ralph Bailey was pronounced dead at the scene, Lt. Bailey said.

"It was an extremely brutal murder," Lt. Bailey said in a Tuesday Washington Post article.

He said police currently are trying to retrace Ralph Bailey's last steps by interviewing friends and relatives, but said it was too early to determine the exact cause of death.

"We're looking into drugs as a possible motive," Lt. Bailey said.

Bailey, who lived at 4105 Southern Ave., transferred to GW last fall from the University of the District of Columbia. He was a

member of GW's chapter of the Black People's Union and knew many of the organization's members, BPU member Toni Jackson said. Jackson said she thought Bailey was 22 years old.

Jackson said she had not seen Bailey for several days prior to the discovery of his body.

BPU President Jerlys Thompson said she was informed of Bailey's death yesterday afternoon through his cousin. Thompson said his mother positively identified the body.

Bailey had transferred to GW with a 3.8 GPA, studied Criminal Justice and hoped to go to law school someday, Thompson said. She said he was an "inquisitive" man who always had "a lot of input" for BPU programs.

"I was shocked," Thompson said. "Basically, I'm still shocked. It took a really sick person to do that. It really doesn't affect you until it's someone you know."

Jackson said Bailey had made some wrong social decisions during high school "which he was trying to put behind him."

"He was trying to get his life (See MURDER, p.17)

## Univ. docs: helping the homeless

by Cathy Collier  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The GW Medical Center, in conjunction with the D.C. Health Care for the Homeless Project (HCHP), will expand its program that provides assistance to the homeless with two new services, according to Phyllis B. Wolfe, HCHP executive director.

Effective today, two physicians will volunteer to spend Thursday afternoons at the Community for Creative Non-Violence shelter at 425 Second St. NW, where HCHP

offers on-site medical care, Wolfe said. She said the D.C. Commission of Public Health provides most of the shelter's stocked medication.

"In addition, the Medical Center has entered into an agreement with HCHP to accept up to three referrals a day for X-rays pro bono," Wolfe said, adding that the Medical Center has analyzed lab work for many HCHP shelters at no cost since 1985, when the Medical Center began the program. Originally, its

laboratories were used to help the HCHP by conducting blood tests for the homeless.

The new services are expected to further the Medical Center's efforts to aid the estimated 6,500 homeless people in the District.

Medical Center Administrator Michael Barch and Jorge Rios, M.D., chairman and professor of the department of Medicine, initiated the program. Barch serves on the advisory board for CCNV and has served on the Board of Directors for HCHP since 1985. "Our responsibility to the community is to take care of the sick and downtrodden," Barch said.

The volunteer physicians will treat approximately 10 patients per day, with ailments ranging from upper respiratory infections to chronic illnesses, said Steve Sigelman, a Medical Center assistant administrator. Other common ailments include trauma from assaults, high blood pressure, diabetes, tuberculosis, lice and scabies, and substance abuse problems.

Charles Waters Thompson, M.D., a GW clinical professor emeritus of medicine and one of the leading internists in the District, will be one of the first doctors to volunteer at the shelter. (See HOMELESS, p.6)

## Students declare for Campaign '88

by Jennifer Cetta  
Executive Editor

Twenty-four students have declared candidacy for the 1988 student government elections as of 5 p.m. yesterday, midway through the application process that ends tomorrow.

The most contested position to date is GW Student Association president with three declared candidates, according to campaign sign-up records in the Student Activities Office.

Raffi Terzian, GWUSA vice president for Student Affairs and GWUSA presidential candidate, said the presidential seat "is going to be the most competitive position because there are three qualified candidates running for office."

One of Terzian's opposing candidates, GWUSA Senator at-Large John David Morris, said when voting, students should remember GWUSA is not just another organization but a "big umbrella and ser-

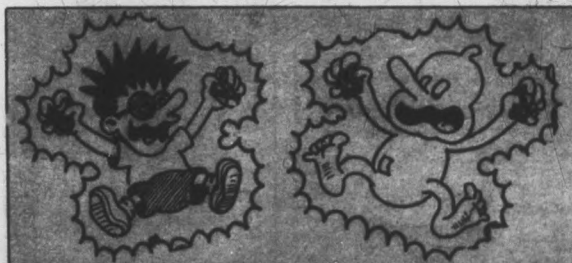
vant" for all campus organizations.

"There are going to be a lot more people signing up (for the elections) by Friday," said Chris Crowley, GWUSA executive vice president and GWUSA presidential candidate. "I think what you're also going to see this year are a lot more people running for the senate because of its increased visibility."

Undergraduate senator at-Large is the second most competitive position with four candidates running for two seats. Columbian College of Arts and Sciences senator is next with three candidates running for three seats.

Offices still without applicants are: Law School senators (2), GSAS senator, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences graduate senator, at-Large graduate senators (2), Governing Board book store, food and parking representatives (3) and Program Board treasurer.

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## News of the World

### Tough talk without backtalk

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)—Illinois Sen. Paul Simon Wednesday unveiled a folksy new television advertising blitz and aides said the campaign rejected negative ads aimed at Democratic presidential rival Richard Gephardt.

"Our decision is to go with our strength rather than to get taken out of our path in order to try and open up a weakness in someone else," said Media Consultant David Axelrod.

"We feel strongly that in the final two weeks of this campaign that people are going to begin more and more to focus on the personal qualities of this candidate, not on single issues, but on the personal qualities," he said.

Gephardt, a Missouri Congressman, has surged in most polls taken in recent weeks, and Simon has begun criticizing him in recent campaign debates. That led to speculation that Simon would launch a hard-hitting television campaign aimed at cutting into Gephardt's momentum.

Instead, Simon aides unveiled two low-key ads that will begin airing throughout Iowa on Thursday.

The ads include a 60-second spot with a series of people in lunchrooms and classrooms talking about why they like Simon, and a 30-second spot with cartoon caricatures of Simon's bow tie.

Axelrod said Simon doesn't plan any negative television to counteract Gephardt's rise.

"There's no atom bomb in the can," said the Chicago-based Axelrod. "All of these rumors about negative media sort of emanated from the Gephardt camp. At this juncture, we don't see any point in getting

taken off of our message in order to do some sort of search and destroy mission."

### Pesticide leaves spots on berry picker's face

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)—Former farmworker Alicia Prieto remembers the burning in her face when she picked blueberries. Unknown to her, they had been sprayed with the pesticide Dinoseb.

"It got my face really red and with small, rash-like goosebumps," Ms. Prieto, 21, said of her experience in 1982 or 1983 in a northwest Washington field. "I couldn't stop itching and I couldn't keep working."

Her rash went away a few days after treatment with skin cream, but the controversy over Dinoseb hasn't.

In 1986, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued a rare emergency ban of the pesticide, saying it was highly toxic and could cause birth defects, sterility in males, and cancer.

However, on Jan. 15 the EPA announced an agreement allowing Dinoseb's use for the next two years in Washington, Oregon and Idaho under stringent guidelines, saying some growers in those states had no alternatives.

That left farmworker advocates upset.

"We've seen a systematic and consistent policy of the Reagan administration putting the needs of human beings second," said Sam Martinez of Grandview, director of the Washington State Migrant Council.

"It's a big concern if you look at the mortality rate of farmworker children," said Tomas Villanueva, president of the United Farm Workers of Washington State.

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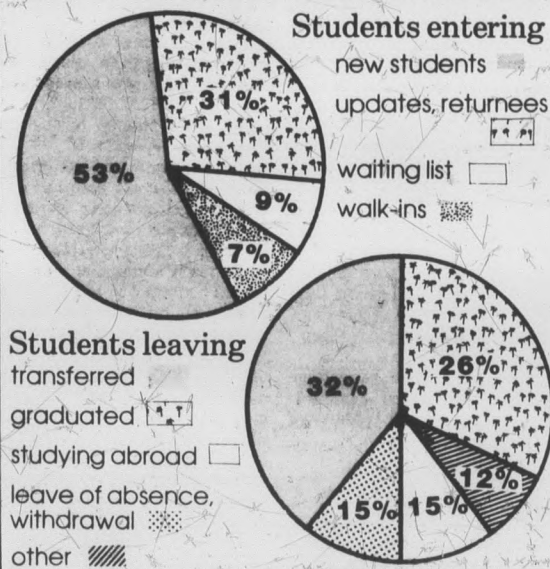
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**GW residence hall turnover****Just some 'typical' turnovers in housing**by Kevin McKeever  
News Editor

The first month of the Spring 1988 semester proved to be "pretty typical" in terms of student turnover in GW's residence hall system as 147 students left the dorms and 133 students took their places, said Mark J. Crowley, assistant director for GW Housing Services.

"These numbers are almost exactly the same as what we had last year," Crowley said. As of Jan. 12 last spring, the between-term turnover was 118 students leaving and 113 students replacing them.

The majority of students leaving the housing system also left the University: 47 residents left to study abroad, 22 transferred to other universities and 21 graduated. The remainder, Crowley said, have either taken a

leave of absence, found off-campus housing, or had other reasons to leave the system.

Seventy of the students entering the system are new arrivals to GW while 42 are "walk-ins," students who came into the Housing Office and happened to find an immediate opening to their liking, he said. The other 21 students either had waiting list requests filled or were returning from off-campus living.

Also similar to last year's figures are the number of in-hall and cross-hall changes within the housing system, up to 131 from last year's 125, Crowley said. Seventy-seven student moves were within the same residence hall while 54 switched halls. Originally, 103 cross-hall changes were available but 49 students declined the opportunity at the last minute, he said.

**This is for freshmen only**  
**New group to address newcomers' needs**by Nancy Casey  
Hatchet Staff Writer

The Freshman Team, a new student group designed as a forum for GW's freshman class, will attempt to address those students' concerns, including getting permanent freshman representation in the GW Student Association Senate.

The Freshman Team, co-chaired by freshmen Karen Waite and Jill Pincus, was created in November with the passage of a GWUSA bill sponsored by Undergraduate Senator-at-Large John David Morris.

According to the bill, the Freshman Team has dual purposes: to "provide a think tank for ideas, complaints, suggestions" for freshmen and to "carry out certain projects" of GWUSA.

With the bill's passage, Waite and Pincus were appointed to the GWUSA Senate as non-voting members last Nov. 3. The group will meet today for the second time to discuss strategies toward gaining voting rights for those two senatorial seats.

For Waite and Pincus to gain the right to vote at meetings, the GWUSA Constitution must be amended.

Waite plans to present a referendum, the only way the constitution can be amended, for the senate's consideration next week. If the referendum is approved by the senate and GWUSA President Adam Freedman, it will appear on this year's electoral ballot.

Morris said he believes the senate will pass the referendum.

Waite said the team will meet regularly and she hopes it will become a lobbying force for freshman

issues. Morris said he came up with the idea for the Freshman Team after 26 freshmen with "great leadership records" applied for two freshman seats on the senate. His idea was to form a group of freshmen who are "interested in leading" because GW "needs to start taking advantage of the energy of the freshmen."

Waite and Pincus sent invitations to the freshmen who were rejected by the senate and put up flyers in Thurston Hall inviting all freshmen to attend the Freshman Team's first meeting Jan. 19.

Approximately 15 students attended that meeting to discuss several issues, including school spirit, freshman intramurals and student orientation. Pincus said some freshmen expressed disappointment over the "lack of unity and the lack of spirit at GW."

Several students suggested that intramurals exclusively for freshmen be set up at the beginning of the year "to get the freshmen together," she said.

Others wanted to see better programs aimed toward freshmen, such as an orientation for those who did not attend the Summer Advanced Registration Program and a showcase of the student groups on campus during registration to inform freshmen of these groups.

Morris called the first meeting a "real success." Graduate-at-Large Senator Bill Koch, who spoke at the meeting about his yet-to-be-heard Mike-on-the-Quad program, said the freshmen "weren't afraid to talk about (GW's) problems."

The Freshman Team's second meeting will be today at 5:30 p.m. in the Thurston Hall Piano Lounge.

**Career Week kicks off Monday**

More than 100 professionals from the metropolitan area will discuss their career and provide job search strategies during the University Career Services Center's sixth annual Career Week, Feb. 1-5.

More than 40 special events, panels and a Career Fair will be presented in the Marvin Center, Feb. 1-3, noon to 8 p.m.

All events are free to students and alumni of the University. Members of the community are welcome to attend the panel programs and

speaker presentations.

Programs this year include: Careers in Intelligence, Buying Into International Business, Non-athletic Careers in Sports, the Business of Banking, Media Careers, Are You a Candidate for a Career in Political Science? and the SF-171 Writing Workshop.

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## Editorials

### Behind the Bush

The hoopla surrounding Monday night's Bush-Rather tiff, besides showing how very bored the American press and polity truly are, can only serve to help Vice President Bush. But not in the way everyone seems to be insisting—namely that Bush, after his performance against the experienced, aggressive newscaster, has now dispelled his image as a timid, wimpish candidate.

No, Bush actually benefits because he shifts media attention away from his unknown role in the Iran-*contra* affair and projects attention onto the truly, politically irrelevant: a TV performance.

However, we cannot ignore the question of what Bush's role was in the Iran-*contra* affair, because what that role entailed—should it ever surface—would most definitely spotlight Bush's political acumen, his ability to act in a strong-willed, leader-like fashion and his sense of the just and the unjust (certainly information one needs to determine the most qualified presidential candidate).

In fact, the information we do know about Bush's role in the affair suggests that many more questions need to be asked relating to the extent of his knowledge of and involvement in the decisions to sell arms to the Iranians.

For instance, President Reagan said this week that Bush was not present at a meeting where both George Shultz and Caspar Weinberger voiced strong criticisms about the proposed arms-sale deal. Shultz, on the other hand, has stated that indeed Bush was present at that meeting.

Certainly, Bush has never given a straight answer about his role in the affair, regardless of how many times he asserts that he's been entirely frank with the American public.

Although the Iran-*contra* affair no longer is a debilitating issue for President Reagan, it seems that the implications of the extremely misguided policy to sell arms to the Iranians will be a hot campaign issue in 1988 (as well it should be). And until Vice President Bush can unequivocally reveal his role in the entire fiasco, the voters should not entertain the idea of allowing Bush to move up a notch.

### Get involved

While you may be fumbling over which U.S. presidential candidate to choose in November from the array of strikingly similar candidates, GW's own student government candidates provide not only a more immediate challenge but realistic answers to some imminent goals.

1988 is a year of transition for GW with a new University president entering office Aug. 1. It is the responsibility of the students to establish a good rapport with the new administration through effective representation, and the only way to achieve that is by electing strong leaders ready to initiate changes and become interactive with the bigwigs in Rice Hall. Yet those candidates cannot be made available unless students make themselves available by becoming directly involved in the election process as candidates.

There are only two days remaining for students to declare candidacy, and still a number of positions remain uncontested or vacant. Only one candidate, for instance, is running for GW Student Association executive vice president. And the list goes on.

Senate seats for the School of Government and Business Administration, the School of Education, the Medical Center, the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, the Program Board chairman, PB vice chairman and PB secretary are, as yet, uncontested.

Those offices that do list declared students do not list much competition. Three senate seats are open for the School of Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, yet only three students are running for the positions.

Even if you decide that you'd prefer a more passive electoral role, make a point of becoming election-literate in the next month by attending candidate forums and reading about their progress in The GW Hatchet. Know the issues, what duties each office entails and how much experience a candidate has to his credit.

So, don't be a slacker. Educate yourself and make a meaningful contribution to this year's campaign. You won't regret it.

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### Shoeshine

In response to The GW Hatchet editorial of Jan. 21, 1988, "Just Say No," you have taken a strong slogan against drugs and converted it into a mockery of freedom. In the civil war being fought in Nicaragua there are many, "if not all human beings," who have chosen to exercise their freedom of choice—thus they decided to take up arms against a corrupt, cruel and discriminatory regime which has broken all the promises made in Puntarenas, Costa Rica in 1979 to the Organization of American States and the world community and, specifically, the Nicaraguan people.

These accords, that Rep. Wright so eloquently referred to on Jan. 24, 1988 at 11 a.m. on NBC-TV, have been broken for these past nine years. Nine years since the Sandinistas made these promises, and they are yet to be fulfilled. Yet the former U.S. ambassador to Sandinista Nicaragua, Mr. Pezullo, has yet to mention them. The OAS, the "Funesta" organization, has not protested or called for the Sandinistas to comply with the 1979 accords.

However, the democratically elected presidents of Central America gave the Sandinistas another opportunity to comply with the so-called peace plan, the Esquipulas Peace Plan. August 1987 was the deadline for this peace plan to be complied with. However, it was postponed until January 1988. Now, it is January 1988 and another delay is again occurring.

Maybe for you the Vietnam War is over and it is simply a topic of discussion in U.S. History classrooms. But for many families of U.S. MIAs, this war is still going on. The Kissinger Peace Plan did not help the thousands of Vietnamese, Cambodians and others who fought in that war. It is on public record that after the fall of Vietnam and Cambodia to the communists, thousands (and that is a very conservative number) were murdered by the communists.

Even today, the Vietnamese government has not accounted for 2,000 or so MIAs. Why don't you go to Vietnam or Kampuchea and ask those people who did not have any choice in the Kissinger Peace Plan what they think of the communists. Guess what? They are dead!

Then, the best insurance that the Nicaraguan Resistance fighters have in their fight to exercise their freedom of choice and their right to vote for a democratic form of government is the Combined Allied Democratic Armies of the Nicaraguan Resistance and its parliament in exile, its president, Pedro J. Chamorro Jr.

Maybe for you, being a conformist is a way of life, but when the sovereignty and independence of Nicaragua is at stake, the Nicaraguan Resistance Combined Allied Democratic Army is not about to lick the boots of the Soviets, Cubans or pro-Sandinista internationalists who are raping the culture, family and society of

## Letters to the editor

our beloved Nicaragua. But then again, you may be one who likes to lick the Soviets' boots. If the Soviets ever decide to land in America, I think, you will be one of the first to lick them. But don't despair. Your wish can be fulfilled, you only have to go to Nicaragua which is a two hour flight from Miami, Fla. (that is American territory). Or, you can go to Afghanistan (the U.S. Congress voted for huge military aid to the Muhejadeen in their fight for freedom), which is about 10 hours flight time from Miami, Fla., to lick them.

So lick the Soviets' boots, they may taste good to you!

-Roger A. Mayorga

### Bush on Rice

You know, I have been meaning to write this letter for some time now. I have been going to this school for four years, and I think this would be a good time to take the opportunity to recognize a number of people for their great work, particularly the staff members of the Financial Aid Office and also Miss Veronica Rice of the Student Accounts Office.

Over the years, when I had some kind of problem paying my bill or with my financial aid package, these people have come through for me with a great deal of professionalism and compassionate understanding. You often hear that someone in this office or that was really sour, and wouldn't help you with your problem or even understand it. The level of expertise, friendliness and understanding that I have experienced from Miss Rice and the whole staff at the Financial Aid Office ought to be a model for the whole University.

By the way, while I'm writing, I just want to say something else to my fellow students. We here at the GW Student Association, and others throughout the University, are working really hard to improve the value of your diploma. We can come up with all kinds of great programs, but the easiest way to improve our reputation in this town is for the people of this town to think of us with better thoughts. The way for that to come about is to keep in mind that when you are out either working or having fun and playing in the city, be courteous to people, be friendly, conduct yourself with professionalism, like you have some ambition. Remember, each of us represents all of us. So, when people get to know you as a strong individual who goes to GW, they'll think better about all of GW. Just a thought for you all to consider. Thanks for reading this far.

-Robert G. Bushey  
-GWUSA Senator, School of International Affairs

### Stuffed, crammed

As a second semester junior at GW, I've been stuffed into overcrowded classrooms and have been crammed into tiny dorm rooms while watching the people who work in the offices of 2000 Penn. enjoy a large amount of space on this campus. I would like

to know how GW can justify its growing number of students that we must learn to share the minimum amount of space on this campus while it continues to spend OUR money buying up Pennsylvania Ave.!!

This real estate does not benefit the students at all, and does not help to meet our needs for more classrooms and more living space. Once again this is something that supports the notion that there is a lack of concern on the part of the administration for the entire student body at this institution. Washington, D.C. is not short of office and shopping space by any means. Wouldn't the adding of more classes, new programs and smaller amounts of people in classes contribute to bettering this University as well as supplying students with sufficient housing on campus?

Hopefully, there will come a day when, as in GW's past, students will become aware of how their or their parents' money is being used and how we need to make the administration aware that we want what we pay for and what we deserve. We do not want our University forming a closer relationship with Oliver T. Carr and various real estate offices around the city, we want to better their relationship with us, the students.

-Simone Costanzo

### A part of living

"The compassionate crusaders, the pleaders for the helpless, the defenders of the weak, the tireless champions of justice, the young idealists yearning for the value of human life" to whom Mr. Jonathon Moseley referred in his letter to The GW Hatchet (Jan. 25, 1988), all are working in clinics all over America trying to help rape and incest victims.

They are counselors attempting to give guidance to confused, often underprivileged children who must make adult decisions. They are devoted, concerned nurses and doctors who risk their lives crossing violent picket lines. How ironic that the "right-to-lifers" are the ones who are bombing clinics and threatening lives. Is that what you mean by a "compassionate crusader?" That is what I call a terrorist. These clinics do not force women into unwanted abortions. They do not commit murders. Rather, they give life to those women who are rape and incest victims and those women who are unable to support a child alone. They give these women a chance to have lives.

Until you, Mr. Moseley, have read a letter from a 12-year-old girl whose innocence was taken forever by four teenage boys, and until you are able to feel the pain, humiliation and degradation suffered by that child, you have no right to saddle her with a burden she never should have carried.

Your "champions of justice" are committing those mothers and children to a life of misery imprisoned by poverty and shame. Is that a life for which you want to be held accountable?

-Karen Wilbrow



# Opinion

## The state of Ronald Reagan's union

On Monday, Jan. 25, 1988, President Ronald Reagan delivered his last State of the Union Address. This speech had been the subject of much commentary and conjecture by the supposed experts. All of this conjecture dealt with two very important issues.

First, would the last year of the Reagan presidency be that of a lame duck, possessing little influence over the course of the political agenda?

Second, what will be President Reagan's place in history? Very often, a president's last year in office can play a key role in determining that historical reference. Reagan's last State of the Union Address can be a helpful tool for figuring out these questions.

President Reagan's address, for the most part, was standard Reagan material. Reagan began his speech on a relatively moderate tone, essentially calling for

buy the idea that this is the last year of anything," he tacitly acknowledges this, but he is still going to push his agenda, even though he became a de facto lame duck after the Democrats regained control of the Senate and in the wake of the Iran-contra scandal.

Along these lines, Reagan also made a pitch for the confirmation of Judge Anthony Kennedy to the Supreme Court and for the approval of the INF treaty. Both of these initiatives will meet with success, but only because the Democratic majority in Congress wants it that way. Lame duck Reagan has, of late, heard criticisms from the right wing of his own party, formerly his most loyal core of supporters. He now has to lobby them as well for their votes on these and other issues.

Reagan also repeated some of his typical conservative positions in his uneventful speech Monday night. His call for school prayer, a line-item veto, a return to "limited government" and an end to the "evil" of abortion on demand were met with applause only from Republican right wingers.

Reagan's attempt to secure a positive place in history will be in the area of arms control and weapons in general. Reagan made his pitch for the INF and also reaffirmed his support for the Strategic Defense Initiative, although he has significantly toned down his rhetoric on the latter. He passed off SDI as a bargain comprising less than 2 percent of the total request for the Defense Department. SDI can be the key for safety from "nuclear terror" in the future, Reagan asserted.

Reagan wants to be remembered as the president who, by bargaining from the position of strength, has laid the framework for one of the greatest periods of arms control in history; and he has done this with stringent conditions for verification. But now, in the last year of his presidency, lame duck Reagan has to play all of his cards and use all of his abilities in order to insure his place in history.

As stated, history, correctly or incorrectly, probably will judge Reagan as a great arms control president. SDI will continue past his presidency, but on a watered-down scale of Reagan's original intentions. Not one of the frontrunners of either party shares Reagan's diehard support for the *contras*, and they probably will be removed from the mainstream political agenda.

Where history will judge Reagan especially harshly is in two areas. Reagan, despite his attempts to shift blame elsewhere, will be held accountable for his actions. It was his idea to implement both one of the greatest tax cuts in history and an unprecedented peacetime military buildup



at the same time. If Reagan still wonders where these record federal deficits have come from, he need only look at his own budgetary proposals.

The other area where Reagan will be judged especially harshly is the area of education. Now that education has finally become an election year issue, Reagan has issued his support for the "commitment to quality." In the same breath, however, Reagan asserted that "money can't take the place of hard work and discipline." Reagan is 100 percent correct. Where he misses the point is that it need not be a "one or the other" type of choice. Money can serve as a compliment to hard work. Reagan, over the last seven years, has launched an unprecedented attack on financial aid for truly needy students. Every student who possesses the knowledge and the abilities to go to college should be able to do so.

Does Reagan really wonder why America has "fallen behind" in recent years? Does Reagan really want to ensure America's future? Student financial aid, and a commitment to quality at all levels of education is the key to guarantee America's future. It is time that Reagan, and whoever succeeds him, pay heed to the lobbyists for student financial aid and to the proponents of increased quality and funding for public primary and secondary schools all over the nation.

President Reagan wants to be remembered positively in future generations as students read their history books. If Reagan wants the students of the future to be able to read, analyze and understand not only his place in history, but a wide variety of material, education must become a higher priority. Lame duck Reagan, and whoever succeeds him, must realize that a strong commitment to education will guarantee future American greatness. If this is not done, if education is not made a high priority, it will be a bad mark on any president's place in history, including that of President Ronald Reagan.

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## Tensions in Gaza

The camera zooms in. A hysterically wailing Palestinian woman and her five daughters conduct a tug-of-war with five Israeli soldiers dragging her son off to an unknown destination. The image is stark. The soldiers are armed with automatic rifles and grenade launchers. The youth, 15 years old, is skinny and unarmed. We bristle with indignation. Never mind that the boy attacked the soldiers with a molotov cocktail. That wasn't on camera.

Over the past month, the world has decried Israeli efforts to quell the rioting in Gaza. The United Nations and the press have repeatedly condemned Israel's action.

### Michael Lieberman

Once again the ludicrous comparisons of Israel to Chile and South Africa are being made. The Arab leaders again are calling for jihad (holy war) against Israel to "liberate" their Palestinian brothers.

Indeed, a solution is necessary. Israel cannot and does not wish to continue to rule the more than a million and a half Arabs. But real solutions demand the full understanding of the geopolitics and the history of the area.

In June 1967, at the time of the Six Day War, Israel took military control of Gaza in a defensive measure. Since then things have improved. The Gazans now have the opportunity for better housing and jobs. They sell their oranges abroad and have found work in Israel. However, due to a Gazan population explosion, there is little real economic growth.

Why are the riots occurring now? The immediate cause is a traffic accident involving an Israeli truck that killed four Gazans, which was reportedly a purposeful Israeli retaliation for the stabbing of an Israeli businessman. The underlying reasons are that Gaza is overlooked, poor, devoid of political leaders and consumed

with a sense of hopelessness.

And what of Palestinian nationalism? Where does that come into play in the recent unrest? The truth is that Palestinian nationalism is trapped within and, indeed held hostage by the political aims of the larger Arab nation. As a result, the Palestinian people, including Gazans, have become pawns sacrificed in a political chess match between Israel and the Arab world. The population of Gaza has been checkmated in their misery, not because Israel exists, but because the Arab states will not accept them.

The Arab-Israeli conflict is a zero-sum game (that is, "us or them"). There is no middle ground. The Arab states, with the Palestinian hardliners among them, are not calling for a Palestinian state NEXT to Israel, but rather for a Palestinian state IN Israel. To negotiate a settlement with these people would be political suicide for Israel.

Meanwhile, the Israelis are still chained to the occupation with no political end in sight. As administrators of the territories, they do not have the luxury of ignoring large-scale civilian riots. Restoring order has, unfortunately, led to violence and death.

However, before universally condemning Israel, it is necessary to put the blame where it is due. It was the Arab states which kept the Gazans in camps from 1948-67, feeding them false hopes of Arab triumph. After 1967, it was the Arab states, with the lone exception of Egypt, which repeated to Israel one message: no recognition, no negotiations, no peace. No exceptions for Gaza.

It is time for the Arab states to stop using the Palestinians. The ball is now in the Arabs' court. Come to the peace table. That is the only way to end the misery, the riots and the bloodshed.

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Gary Lesser

members of Congress to disregard their party affiliation and work as "Americans." He stated that with a "simple partnership" the budgetary woes could be resolved. He then, however, implied that today's record federal deficits were the fault of the Congress; even though—at the height of his personal popularity just a few years ago—he set the budgetary agenda, he was in no way responsible for his budgetary irresponsibility. This is rubbish.

Then he launched into a more standard conservative mode, by trumpeting how great he had made America in the last seven years. America was great again and "young men were proud to wear the uniform of their country again." Reagan did not mention in detail, however, any specific foreign policy achievements; with the exception of the INF treaty, they cannot be found in any abundance.

Reagan, after a brief sermon warning against the evils of protectionism and hailing the virtues of free trade, turned his attention to the "Global Democratic Revolution." This global resurgence of democracy, according to Reagan, also includes the *contras*.

On Tuesday, Reagan formally asked Congress for \$36 million for the *contras*, 10 percent of which will be lethal in nature. By downscaling his original request and making most of it non-lethal in nature, he wants to make sure the *contras* can survive beyond the end of his presidency, even though a majority of Americans do not support his *contra* initiative.

His actions and his speeches are those of a man who knows he is a lame duck. By saying, "I don't





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## Bop 'til you drop at GW's Superdance

by Sharyn Wizda  
Hatchet Staff Writer

As the clock strikes midnight this Saturday, many dancing students will probably breathe a sigh of relief and collapse on the Marvin Center's Market Square floor to recuperate from the GW Superdance, a 30-hour dance-a-thon to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Ninety students will participate in this year's Superdance, beginning at 8 p.m. tomorrow. The dancers will get a 15-minute rest every two hours, and will break for Saturday meals and for a shower that morning at the Smith Center.

Music for the event will be provided by three live bands including Radiant, a group that played at last year's Thurston Hall block party and in the Marvin Center ballroom last November. WAVA-105 FM DJs will fill the gaps between bands.

Local television stations WUSA-9, WJLA-7, WRC-4 and

WTTG-5 will film part of the Superdance for segments on their news broadcasts.

GW senior Andy Rosenberg—co-chairperson of the Superdance Committee with students Barry Feil, Randi Kushner, Paul Barkett and Liza Sams—said he hopes the Superdance will raise from \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Forty-five dancers garnered more than \$13,000 for the MDA in 1987's 28-hour event. In an effort to boost this figure, participating students were asked to raise a minimum of \$50 in donations or pledges-by-the-hour.

Since 90 students are registered for this year's dance, Rosenberg said ideally they should be able to raise \$28,000, but the Superdance Committee has set a realistic goal of \$20,000.

"Every single penny raised goes to MDA for the treatment (of afflicted persons) or into the research for a cure for any one or

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stressed that students should have alternate schedules prepared in case they are closed out of a class.

A separate phone number will be set up in the spring, Coates said, which will allow any student—including undergraduates—to hear a recorded message with up-to-date information about course cancellations.

Undergraduate students will preregister as they have in the past, with one exception—the Smith Center will only be open for course approval from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. In the afternoons of their designated days, all undergraduates will receive course approval from their department's and dean's offices.

Coates said this was done "at the request of the faculty," which observed that any backlog at the Smith Center usually was taken care of by 1 p.m. After that time, only "a trickle of people" came in, he said.

"That will streamline the whole process," Terzian said. "Those lines really didn't sit well with me."

While Coates is optimistic about implementing a complete telephone operation in the fall, he said there were still some questions remaining. "This test has to work well," he said, "and we have to find out from AT&T if we have the capacity to handle an increased number of calls."

"If it requires a major financial investment, we may not be able to handle it from a budgetary standpoint. That's our worst-case scenario."

"If it works well and we don't need many more operators, we'll go in the fall."

The Pager, the official monthly newspaper of the Medical Center.

"What better opportunity do doctors have to pass on what they feel about society than to help those people who live on the streets?"

Wolfe said the Medical Center's help has made a difference in the health of indigent people in Washington. "It is contributions such as these that will help to reduce the suffering that many homeless persons experience,"

## University to honor historian Briggs

by Tom Prendergast  
Hatchet Staff Writer

Lord Asa Briggs of Lewes, a noted British historian, will be presented with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from GW at a special convocation in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre Friday.

Briggs is being honored for his distinguished writings and insights into British cultural, social and communications history.

The convocation is part of GW's "Great Issue" lecture series, a new program in which special accomplished GW guests will give speeches and receive honorary degrees from the University. The administration hopes presentations such as these will increase GW's prestige, help to raise endowment funds and further enhance academic achievement, University Marshal Robert Jones said.

Briggs, provost of Worcester College in Oxford, England since 1976 and chancellor of Open University in Washington, D.C. since 1978, has authored several books, many which incorporate his expertise on England's 19th century life. These include the trilogy *Victorian People*, *Victorian Cities* and *Victorian Things*.

He also has written comprehensive histories on the British Broadcasting Corporation, British broadcasting and *A Social History of England*, which has been said to cover Britain's history "from the Stone Age to Mrs. Thatcher."

Among his awards are the Marconi Medal for his work in communications history and the French Foundation of the Architectural Academy award for his work on heritage education. He has been awarded degrees from major universities in Britain, Canada and the United States, as well as honored by the Queen of England with "life peerage," a rare honor for Britons that allows him to sit in England's House of Lords.

The ceremony will commence at 6 p.m. and is free to the public. Briggs' scheduled discussion topic is "Victorian Inventions: The Imaginative Response to New Technology."

she said. "GW's presence has been a major impact in the development of the public, private partnership that HCHP has grown to be."

Sigelman said the Medical Center provides direct care and helps HCHP expand its role in helping the homeless.

"The services we provide can generate interest from other members of the private medical community and help to bring in federal grant money," he said.

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The graduate students were chosen for the test because they are a "much more diffuse group" who seem "predisposed to register by telephone," he said. All undergraduates will preregister using the same process as before, with some minor scheduling changes.

"This will give the system a chance to run, the operators a chance to get used to the process," Coates said.

"I was a little disappointed (with the decision not to completely implement the phone system), but I can understand their reasoning," said Raffi Terzian, GW Student Association vice president for Student Affairs.

"They have to test it first," he said. "It's a difficult situation—but what do we do if (the test) doesn't work?"

Students with whom he has spoken have been divided on the issue, Terzian said. "Some have been really excited, some are a little wary." Their main concern, he said, seems to be the wait that would be associated with the phone-in process.

Previously, Coates had said the Registrar's Office wanted to arrange the system so that "even if a thousand students called simultaneously," there would be an "absolute maximum wait of 20 minutes."

Beginning March 28, graduate students will be able to preregister by phone for the 1988 fall semester. The entire process will be able to be completed with one phone call, Coates said, but he

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"We're taking time from our own private lives and we think it's the least we can do. Nothing is more gratifying," he said.

"I think that Dr. Rios and Michael Barch brought home a real need for such a program," Thompson wrote last March in



# Capital Entertainment



## 'Housekeeping': fun swept away for art

by Liz Pallatto

*Housekeeping* is a subtle film vignette, a quiet dissertation on the forces of conformity versus individualism, a comedy of small proportions, a tour de force of powerful acting. In short, it is a critic's dream.

The movie itself, however, seems impossibly long, long, long. This is definitely a good movie only in retrospect, as you sit over the obligatory cup of critic's coffee.

The vignette: a small, freezing cold, one-horse town of Fingerbone in the 1950s. Two small girls, left with their grandmother, grow up wondering why their mother dropped herself off the side of a cliff. The two girls, Lucille (Andrea Burchill) and Ruth (Sara Walker), who mature with only each other and a series of older guardians for company, pin all their hopes for a normal childhood on the family "black sheep," their mother's sister, Sylvie.

The dissertation: Sylvie (Christine Lahti) shows up and takes responsibility for the two girls. She is a self-willed homeless person, travels hobo-class on trains throughout the country, working odd jobs here and there. She possesses the freedom of imagination and the innocence of a very young child never ingrained with the practical norms of society.

This means the two girls end up taking care of Aunt Sylvie, instead of the other way around.

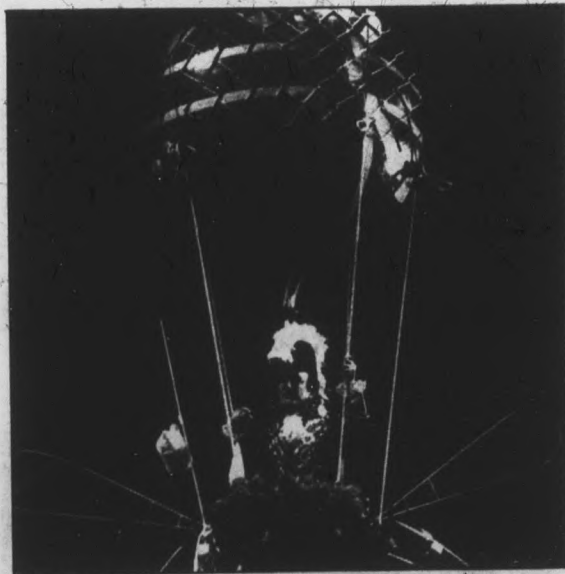
Sylvie takes off to wild places unknown, sleeps on benches, and one day comes home with a fish in her pocket, ready for the frying pan.

Here is the essence of the conflict in the movie. Lucille, 13, had been hoping Sylvie would be an angel in the guise of a June Cleaver who would take over and be a strong mother and role model. Sylvie, who collects and fills the rooms of the house with newspapers and washes to a shiny glow the various soup cans that gather around the house, is not that angel. Ruth, 15, the narrator, is more in tune with Sylvie's magical madness.

The two girls, once each other's only companion, begin to grow apart as Lucille struggles to attain all the trappings—white bobby socks, prom date, sewing skills—of a normal '50s style teen-ager. Then Lucille repeatedly snubs her sister, whom she sees as being just like her aunt, even though "she has tried to help her." The final straw comes when Lucille moves into the home of her economics teacher.

Lucille has made her choice, and Ruth, through inaction, has made hers. Yet it seems that this decision is not enough. The townspeople of Fingerbone don't approve of Sylvie's guardianship and work to place her in a more suitable environment. Ruth's decision ends the conflict and puts an end to Sylvie's extended period of "housekeeping."

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Ron Moody as Sir John Porter in 'H.M.S. Pinafore,' at the Kennedy Center through Feb. 6.

## 'Baby' gives birth to a hit

by Jill Shomer

Whew! They don't call it wedlock for nothing.

*She's Having a Baby*, the latest from teen-screen director John Hughes, is a hilarious desecration of the "M word." Here, walking down the aisle becomes a walk down the plank into maximum-security matrimony. Hopeless romantics beware, but those who enjoy laughing a lot, step right up.

Jake and Kristy Briggs (Kevin Bacon and Elizabeth McGovern) are an insufferably cute couple who tie the knot, which according to Hughes, is a big tangle with twisted ropes that won't come apart ... ever. Jake doesn't want to return to school ("College is like high school with ashtrays") so he turns to unfulfilling work. Kristy stays at home.

They move to the suburbs and go to block parties. They discuss lawn mowers and recipes with their neighbors. They buy sensible furniture and go to bed at 10 o'clock. Is this bliss? No, this is death. A visit from Jake's playboy friend Davis (Alec Baldwin)—and ladies, might I add that seeing this man is worth the price of admission) shows Jake there's more to life than tuna casserole. Unfortunately, the twosome is not cut out for the wild life, so they have a baby instead. But they soon find out

it's not that easy.

What you, the lucky audience, find is a very, very funny movie. Not only is Jake's dialogue and narration good, but there are great sight gags and camera angles to tickle your funnybone. One of the best parts comes when the credits are rolling and "friends" including Dan Akroyd, John Candy, Bill Murray, and the entire "Cheers" bunch help suggest

often amusingly linked to the narrative. When Jake becomes a slave to Kristy's ovulation schedule, he sadly pulls off his pants to the accompaniment of Sam Cooke's "Chain Gang."

With *She's Having a Baby*, (and earlier, *Planes, Trains and Automobiles*) John Hughes has proven that he is capable of more than Molly Ringwald-teenage angst movies. His direction in this film, aimed at those who are at least



She's cute, he's got no upper lip; McGovern and Bacon in 'She's Having a Baby'

names for a Baby Briggs.

And it's not all negative. Toward the end, Hughes show us through flashbacks that there actually are some good points to being married. It's a nice touch to balance the pessimism of the earlier scenes and to show that sometimes true love can conquer boredom.

The soundtrack, most of which is composed and performed by ex-Policeman Stewart Copeland, is terrific. All the songs are great and are

able to vote, is top-drawer. McGovern and Bacon are both terrific—funny and believable, even though he has no upper lip and whines a lot. And James Ray, as Kristy's crabby father, is every daughter's worst nightmare.

Best of all, *She's Having a Baby* teaches an important lesson that all people should live by: Boredom can kill. Married or not, having fun is essential to life. And this movie is a lot of fun ... so what are you waiting for?

## 'H.M.S. Pinafore' still delights audiences after 100 years

by Sheri Levine

Gilbert and Sullivan, masters of the comic opera, presented their first production of *H.M.S. Pinafore* in London in 1878. More than 100 years later, this musical which is a lighthearted satire of that sacred British institution, the Royal Navy, is still delighting audiences everywhere. Even those who normally wouldn't be caught dead enjoying Gilbert and Sullivan will have trouble walking out of the current Kennedy Center production without humming a few bars of "We Sail the Ocean Blue."

From the moment bare-chested sailors start climbing out of their hammocks in the opening scene, it is clear this is not going to be a traditional Victorian evening. In fact, the production, directed and choreographed by Brian MacDonald, resembles a contemporary musical comedy rather than a century-old institution. From the minute the curtain rises and the music begins, it is difficult to erase the smile from your face.

As is the case with most Gilbert and Sullivan operas, the plot is somewhat irrelevant. *H.M.S. Pinafore*, however, provides a cast of eccentric characters; a pair of mismatched lovers; a case of

unrequited love and a handsome crew of sailors. Herein lies the great appeal of *H.M.S. Pinafore*. Besides the abundance of popular tunes and memorable lines, the show is straightforward and direct. As a result, one can truly soak in Gilbert's ingenious quips and Sullivan's catchy melodies.

Ron Moody, most famous for his portrayal of Fagin in the stage and screen versions of *Oliver!*, stars in the role of the Honorable Sir Joseph Potter. The fact that Moody doesn't outshine the rest of the cast is an attribute to the excellence of its members, for Moody is close to perfect. He acts on the stage as if it's his second home (or perhaps even his first) and his rendition of "I am the Ruler of the Queen's Na-vee" brings down the house.

In the role of Josephine, the captain's daughter who falls in love with able seaman Ralph Ruckstraw (Michael Brian), Meg Basset is wonderful with her body language and voice that suit her character to a tee. As her father, Captain Corcoran, David Dunbar is a vivacious, lovable leader to his crew and, in turn, to the audience. As the seamen give "three cheers and one cheer more for the leader of the Pinafore," you can't help but want to cheer, too.

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realism at its best. This is not slapstick, not vulgar—just observations of everyday life that are funny in their context, like a sharing of private thoughts that cause you to laugh by yourself under your breath. No examples are given at the risk of causing the

Lahti plays a woman who is still not afraid to try the daring trick of walking the railroad tracks, who is fascinated by trains and who would consistently steal a man's boat to take off for her own secret valley for a day. And yet, there are the few glimpses of something more deeply unsettling. Why has Sylvie chosen this life? Is

pretty, prim and fastidious Lucille—and Walker—the shy, gawky, intuitive Ruth—have more acting ability than Brooke Shields or Bo Derek have in their left pinky.

Despite all its strong points, the movie is a bit long. Director-writer Bill Forsyth, a leading Scottish film director, focuses too much on the authentic details of life, leaving behind some explaining. Ruth, as a main character, never really speaks (yes, she is the narrator). Granted, she is shy, but we are never given any hint about her reasons. Why is she so isolated from everyone? What makes her different from Lucille? What exactly is it that motivates her? Sylvie also never really speaks; she just acts the way she does. Why? These questions are never explained and this gets frustrating.

*Housekeeping* should be nominated as the discussion-group-of-the-month's top movie. Why? Because it's the kind of movie that, similar to a good book, leaves you thinking about it at odd times of the day.

*Housekeeping* is playing at the Key Theatre, 1222 Wisconsin Avenue NW, in Georgetown. Go see it if you're in a mellow mood or if you are trying to impress a date. Also, make sure to stop in one of the numerous little restaurants surrounding the Key for that obligatory cup of coffee.



Sylvie (Christine Lahti, center) gets acquainted with her two nieces (Andrea Burchill, left, and Sara Walker) in 'Housekeeping'

you-had-to-be-there syndrome.

The acting tour de force: Christine Lahti is brilliant. This is not an overstatement. Lahti, who has been nominated for an Oscar for her work in the past, might capture the statuette this time for her consistent portrayal of a woman, who might either be crazy or the most sane person alive.

she some homeless nut? Lahti combines these complexities in a flawless performance which never allows you to really decide on which end of the spectrum she lies.

The two girls, Andrea Burchill (Lucille) and Sara Walker (Ruth) also are perfect. Both Burchill—who plays the outgoing,



Arlene Meadows and the crew of the H.M.S. Pinafore

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Although at times the songs are not performed as well as they should be, the dancing more than compensates for it. MacDonald has choreographed this show more extensively than most Gilbert and Sullivan musicals. There is a lot of fancy footwork that not only goes along with Sullivan's tunes but actually works as a separate entity.

Although Gilbert's lyrics have not been tampered in any way, a few contemporary lines have been thrown in for laughs. References to Ronald Reagan, Oliver North, Gary Hart and Marion Barry are

included. Also, in the finale, Moody waves a British flag which he throws away in favor of a Washington Redskin banner! That makes for an overjoyous audience, to say the least.

Even though this production of *H.M.S. Pinafore* is extremely solid, the true success of this show will forever remain with its creators, Gilbert and Sullivan. The outstanding features for all presentations of *H.M.S. Pinafore* are its lyrics and melodies which I am still humming one week later.

*H.M.S. Pinafore* is at the Kennedy Center Opera House through Feb. 6.

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## Arts and Music

### Local hardcore bands warm up DC audiences

by David L. Andler

During the past two weeks the Washington area has hosted several noteworthy hardcore bands, including North Carolina's Corrosion of Conformity and Washington's Scream and Shudder to Think.

Although COC's performance at the 9:30 Club seemed somewhat lackluster in comparison to the group's usual prowess at belting out an extremely original brand of super-disonant, thrash/ speed-core, it was powerful and enjoyable. The crowd was familiar with the acclaimed material from Corrosion's last two records, *Technocracy* and *Animosity*, and was pleased to finally hear these songs live. Devoted fans will be sad to hear that Simon Bob Sinister, who handles vocals, is leaving COC to find another singer to reform his old band, the Ugly Americans. Although this presents disappointment for Corrosion at the loss of its third singer, all those familiar with Bob's old band should be over-

joyed at his future plans.

Scream performed recently in Richmond and the band was exceptional. Its set included numbers from both *This Side Up* and *Still Screaming* as well as the recently released *Banging the Drum*. Perhaps the most memorable was the live version of "No Money Down," augmented by the acquisition of new drummer, Dave from Dain Bramage, whose power and accuracy behind the set is phenomenal.

Opening the show was Killjoy, a very popular Richmond band with an unrefined but entertaining and energetic sound, which revolves around a hardcore feel and scattered bits of reggae. Catch this band when it's in Washington.

Shudder to Think performed Tuesday night at the Back Alley. Shudder, including guitarist and GW student Chris Mathews, has been pleasing area audiences with its whirling and melodic punk sound. Don't miss the band's record release party at D.C. Space on Feb. 8. The D.C. Space show will feature Darkness at Noon, an young band that also is well worth your time to see.

### The Leather Nun, via Sweden

by Richie the C

If you know anything at all about Gothenburg, Sweden, you may think of the Volvo (this industrial city is called the "Scandinavian Detroit") but rock bands don't immediately pop into mind.

Guess again. Spread the news: Gothenberg has furnished the free world with one of the most abrasive, acidic and defiant bands to invade these fickle shores in many a moon.

The group is The Leather Nun and it is just dying to have a few words with you, that is to anyone who is willing to listen. Currently, the band is supporting Echo and the Bunnymen on a North American tour (Constitution Hall, Feb. 6). Since our zeal for gloom 'n' doom rock rarely looks beyond the shores of Great Britain, North American Bunnymen will be among the first to be initiated.

If you're looking forward to another Abba, stay away ... stay far away. That's because The Leather Nun undoubtedly will appeal not only to Bun-



The Leather Nun: Armed, dangerous and on the lookout for wet panties

nyheads but to anyone who has a craving for Velvetesque scathing, decadent songwriting and seething guitar work. Lead singer Jonas Almqvist's reedy vocals more than suggest Lou Reed and thus cements the inescapable parallels to the Underground.

The Leather Nun's American debut, *Force of Habit*, dealt considerable damage to the safe Sweden music scene and now has the United States in its sights. No question, The Leather Nun would shake up American radio airwaves if given a decent chance. Dark narratives such as "Desolation Avenue," "I Can Smell Your Thoughts" and the risqué "Have Sex With Me" already have been courted by various

college radio stations and dance clubs.

The Leather Nun's message, its members insist, is relatively straightforward.

"We're like a package of instant sex," explains Bengt Aronsson, "You're supposed to listen to *Force of Habit* while you're having sex."

"There was this chick, a gorgeous looking chick," continues Jonas Almqvist, "and just before we encored she says to me, 'why don't you play 'Prime Mover' again? I wet my panties last time.' Obviously some people get off on us sexually. I hope they will enjoy it. Come to our concerts and scream Leather Nun all during the Echo and the Bunnymen show."

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# Arts and Music

## In search of the perfect DC deli, New York style

by Randall Satin

The Star, Stage, Carnegie and Katz's delicatessens are New York landmarks. They have a value to the city that goes beyond a good sandwich, a firm Kinish and a Dr. Brown's black cherry soda. They express the uprising of the Lower East Side culture and the eventual infiltration of that ethnic society within mainstream America. New York-style delis can be found throughout the country, and most are based on Jewish cuisine, with a few tagging a kosher discipline. Students from the Northeast, particularly, often complain about the inability to find a "good" pastrami sandwich or a bowl of "Jewish Penicilin" in "Goyem"-rich Washington. Good Washington delis are rare but are not impossible to find.

October marked the opening of the **Carnegie Deli** (same as New York) in Vienna, Va., a 25-minute car and Metro ride from Foggy

Bottom. As you would expect, the overstuffed sandwiches have "chutspah" and easily could feed two. Missing the "Broadway Danny Rose" or "The Goy Next Door" sandwiches would be a mistake. The meats are shipped directly from New York to Vienna so the taste isn't tampered by Washington's chlorinated waters.

**Loeb's Restaurant/deli** (832 15th Street NW), my favorite downtown spot, seems like it has been transplanted from New York. However, it has that lost ethnic identity I often crave when hunting for the perfect sandwich. Loeb's has some of the most creative combination sandwiches that have ever graced my palate. Loeb's is closed weekends and by 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

The **Catskill Deli** at the Old Post Office Pavillion (1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW) tried to stuff my derma with its gimmicky upstate menu. I was disappointed, though, when my reuben and



### CULINARY COMMENTS

knish arrived microwaved and soggy.

The **Manhattan Deli** (2001 L Street NW) may seem like the answer to your craving for off-campus Jewish cuisine when George's Rathskeller doesn't cut the mustard. However, I lost my insatiable appetite when I saw the layout of the restaurant and its

complete disregard for New York's fine deli traditions.

**Booeymongers** (3265 Prospect Street NW, in Georgetown) is your last hope for a healthy sandwich. The service is fast and the food is adequate (many crazy combos). Beer on draft is always a plus. Drawbacks include lack of seating and a surplus of

Georgetown students who consider it *their* hangout.

For an upscale, non-kosher sandwich, try **Gourmet** in Columbia Plaza (538 23rd Street NW). This State Department hangout has a deli counter within a grocery store. Sandwiches start at \$2.95 and go up from there. Prices may be higher than other local delis, but the quality and service make up for the added expense. Sandwich hint: the pastrami is juicy and spicy, so don't hesitate to place an order.

Please don't confuse these delis with the homegrown stuff but when a quick "weigh me down" is what you crave, the choice is yours.

'Culinary Comments' will occasionally appear in 'Capital Entertainment.' Randall Satin, The GW Hatchet restaurant critic, relishes his homemade potato kugel.

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# Arts and Music

## The Meat Puppets sunny-side-up with 'Huevos'

by David L. Andler

Only a little more six months after the release of their last record, *Mirage*, the Arizona-based Meat Puppets have just released a new LP. Entitled *Huevos*, this album contains nine heavily rocking, "wierded-out" tracks that provide an excellent follow-up to the tremendously polished *Mirage*, which contains more dreamy and waltzing selections. Although not as complete an effort as *Mirage*, *Huevos*—with a cover that displays the breathtakingly pure and simple ingredients of the western breakfast as seen by Curt Kirkwood in one of his many artistic masterpieces—will be exceptionally nice listening for any Meat Puppets fan.

Additionally, the record possesses qualities that make it subject to a wider appeal than merely devoted "Puppet fans" (of which there are many). Such qualities include a cleaned-up guitar and bass sound, a rock/dance-oriented mix and Curt Kirkwood's vocals, which gradually have evolved toward a more traditional style. Though his voice now sounds much closer to

what most consider singing, fortunately he has not forgotten his ability to howl and bellow, a talent that delights and entertains listeners.

The record's first track, "Paradise," displays Kirkwood's improved ability to combine pleasing pitches with dramatic intensities. In a southwestern holler, characteristic of much of his work, he sings: "Laughing gold, carried on silver / open robe, waving by the trailer." Then he melodically and imploringly screams, "This is Paradise!" forcing the listener to hear his intent and begging for the belief of the sentiment.

Kirkwood's vocals cut sharply through the rest of the album, from the brash comedy of "Whoa Crazy, Got Myself a Job" to the gritty yet unforgettable chorus of "Automatic Mojo," which is strangely omitted from the lyrics sheet and is to some degree unintelligible. The most striking lyrics are in "Sexy Music," in which Kirkwood, in beautiful and sentimental fashion, croons: "Unearthly visions filled my head / (As I lay there) and sexy music tumbled all around." Kirkwood seems to taunt the listener, yet in



The Meat Puppets (l-r): Curt Kirkwood, Chris Kirkwood, Derrick Bostrom

the same moment he seems near delirium.

In addition to the previously unequalled superb vocal effort by Kirkwood, his guitar playing—as always—is utterly masterful. His ability to fill the empty spaces within the group's songs is beyond even the slightest reproach.

Furthermore, his use of twisting guitar rhythms from the Puppets'

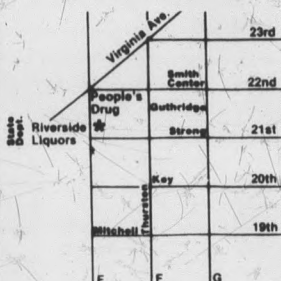
early, punk-oriented thrashing days, combined with his wondrous knowledge and use of melody, is amazing. Especially noteworthy is the simultaneous bending, rushing and surging sound of "Automatic Mojo."

The combination of Kirkwood's effort on the album with the wonderful complimentary bass playing of his brother

Cris makes *Huevos* sound thick and rich in energy. This, and the newly developed talent of drummer Derrick Bostrom in punctuating the music (as demonstrated on the last track, "I Can't Be Counted On"), make the album an extremely solid effort that provides hours of listening enjoyment—except for those with weak hearts or bland tastes.

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| <i>POLLWATCHERS SIGN-UP (\$4.25/hr.)</i>  |            |   |
| JAN 25-FEB 5  | 9-5 PM     | GW STUDENT<br>ASSOCIATION<br>MARVIN CENTER<br>ROOM 424  |
| <i>MANDATORY CANDIDATES MEETING</i>   |            |   |
| FEB 2   | 8:30 PM    | STRONG<br>HALL LOUNGE   |
| <i>JOINT ELECTIONS COMMITTEE (JEC) FORUM</i>  |            |   |
| FEB 16  | 8:00 PM    | MARVIN CENTER<br>MARKET SQUARE<br>1st FLOOR   |
| <i>CAMPAIGNING COMMENCES</i>  |            |   |
| FEB 16  | 12:01 AM   |   |
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| FEB 18 or 19  |            | THURSTON<br>HALL<br>LIBRARY   |
| <i>VOTING</i>   |            |   |
| FEB 23-24   | 9AM - 9 PM | THURSTON<br>FUNKER HALL<br>GELMAN<br>HALL OF GOV'T/MONROE<br>MARVIN CENTER<br>ROSS HALL(MED SCHOOL)<br>LAW SCHOOL |
| <i>RESULTS</i>  |            |   |
| FEB 24  | MIDNIGHT   | THE RAT<br>5th FLOOR<br>(ALL ARE INVITED)   |
| Members of the Joint Election Committee<br>Michael Silverman, Chairman<br>Toni Jackson, Administrator<br>Howard Bard<br>Michael Lachs<br>Jim McKnight |            |   |



## PB: no way election delay

Despite one candidate's efforts, campus elections will not be pushed back to give candidates more time to campaign.

GW Student Association Executive Vice President Chris Crowley, candidate for GWUSA president, attempted to move voting from Feb. 23 and 24 to March 1 and 2.

The Program Board, however, rejected Crowley's proposal last night, voting 8-0 against it.

Crowley originally had sent a letter dated Jan. 19 to the Joint Elections Committee about his idea.

JEC Chairman Mike Silverman said the committee discussed the proposal "over and over" last week, and twice voted unanimously against it, 5-0.

GWUSA President Adam Freedman called Crowley's request a "moot" point because "the JEC has the final say."

Crowley, however, said the extra time to campaign could be used to solicit votes throughout the residence halls.

—Brad Spagnolo

# We have GWUSA jobs, PB posts ...

The following student government positions are listed with a description of their duties to facilitate your voting process. This is not a complete list, however. For more details about these positions and those not mentioned, contact the GW Student Association:

### GWUSA President

- acts as GWUSA spokesman
- represents student interests to University faculty, administrators and on University committees
- initiates and implements GWUSA Senate legislation
- reviews and passes/vetoes on senate actions
- appoints and supervises cabinet
- calls public hearings as necessary

### GWUSA Executive Vice President

- chairs senate meetings
- supports students' interests on GW committees
- coordinates GWUSA annual report
- assumes duties of GWUSA president if he is absent

### GWUSA Senator

- examines and recommends policy matters affecting students
- forms and serves on subcommittees as required
- determines review/action method for campus organizations' budget requests

### Governing Board-Student Representative

- evaluates and advises administrative and financial performance of the Marvin Center
- initiates proposals on operating and budget policies for Marvin Center to president/vice president for Student Affairs
- evaluates maintenance, repair and replacement programs
- evaluates building operations, services and use of facilities
- allocates office space to campus organizations
- assists Marvin Center director in personnel procurement and evaluation
- serves on one of these committees: Building Use, Building Services, Communications or Finance

### Program Board Chairman

- presides over PB meetings and oversees board committees
- fills PB vacancies
- liaison and spokesperson for PB activities
- procures outside entertainment for campus events

### PB Vice Chairman

- receives and reviews cosponsorship requests from campus organizations
- acts as liaison to GWUSA Senate
- acts as PB parliamentarian
- assumes duties of chairperson if that person is absent

### PB Treasurer

- records PB committee budgets
- advises committee on financial status
- supervises ticket arrangements and money collection at PB events

### PB Secretary

- maintains all PB records
- takes minutes for PB meetings
- books facilities for PB events

## Dance

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all of the 40 diseases that fall under the heading of MD," he said.

Rosenberg said donations from local corporations have covered operating costs. Dunkin' Donuts, Domino's Pizza and Popeye's Fried Chicken have donated the dancers' meals.

American and Georgetown universities also hold Superdances, but both raise only about half the money GW raises, Rosenberg said.

"(GW's) Superdance is Washington, D.C.'s largest college fundraising event," Rosenberg said. "The publicity GW gets will be a shot in the arm for morale."

"GW is viewed as a very business-oriented, unsympathetic

school. All this student participation puts the school in a really good position."

Rosenberg said the Superdance gets such strong support because muscular dystrophy affects primarily children.

"Ninety-five to 97 percent of all cases occur in children. This may not be equitable, but people tend to turn out more for the child," he said.

Rosenberg said the high

expense of medical care for children afflicted with MD disorders is a major reason why this country needs fundraising events such as the Superdance.

He mentioned Scott, a 6-year-old MD victim who died during Christmas break. Scott's condition required leg braces that cost \$700 a pair, he said. Because Scott was so young, he outgrew each pair about every three months and needed new equipment.

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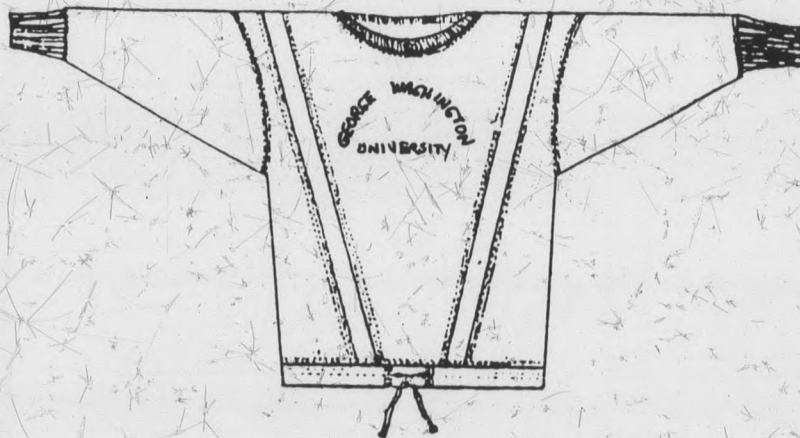
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## Freedman talks about 'State of GWUSA'

In his official "State of GWUSA" address Monday night, GW Student Association President Adam Freedman outlined the student government's accomplishments of the past semester and its objectives to strive for in the future to approximately 35 students and GWUSA cabinet members.

Freedman mentioned the Student Escort Service, Student Advocate Service, Student-Faculty barbecues and the Capitol Hill Internship File as some of last year's programs that have continued to provide a strong foundation this year.

He also commented on several new GWUSA programs, such as the addition of several posi-

tions—vice president of International Student Affairs and two new freshman senators.

"We've made some improvements on our old programs and we've established several new ones," he said yesterday. "We're building upon our base."

Freedman said some of his objectives for this semester include the success of activities such as GW Pride Day, homecoming and the senior class fund.

He also voiced his concern about the need to further improve communication between students and the administration this semester. "This year we've had more success than we've had in past years," he said.

—Denise Helou

## GW helps to publish U.S.-Japan trade book

Agricultural policy and politics are changing in potentially beneficial ways in both Japan and the United States, says Japanese Minister of Agriculture and Forestry Takashi Sato in a new book released by the U.S.-Japan Economic Agenda—a joint project of GW and the Carnegie Council on Ethics and International Affairs in New York.

Sato urges policy makers to "put all our wisdom together" to stabilize worldwide supply and demand for food and to stabilize prices. "We must adjust each country's economic and agricultural structures in the spirit of close cooperation, and advanced exporting countries play an important role," he said.

Written by leading agricultural trade experts, the book *Agricultural Reform Efforts in the United States and Japan*, examines agricultural reforms now underway in the two countries and provides insights into the likely future of U.S.-Japan agriculture/trade relations.

Examining change in Japan, the authors note that in 1987, for the first time and in the face of strong domestic political opposition, Japan lowered the domestic support price for rice, which is currently about eight times higher than world prices.

In December, Japan lifted quotas on a series of agricultural products that had been the subject of a U.S.-Japan trade dispute in The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) for many years.

## Elections

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So far the 1988 candidates number half of those students who declared by the final application day for last year's campaign. Forty-eight students competed for 30 positions last year, leaving one seat—Program Board chairman—uncontested, and one—Graduate School of Arts and Sciences senator—vacant.

## News briefs

### Miss Northern Va. Pageant

The Miss Northern Virginia Pageant Committee announced that it will again sponsor the "Miss Northern Virginia Pageant," an official Miss America preliminary.

The ninth annual event will be on the evening of Saturday, March 26 at Woodson High School in Fairfax, Va. The contest is open to women between the ages of 17 and 26, who are high school graduates, single, never married and U.S. citizens.

The winner will compete in the Miss Virginia contest for money, scholarships and a chance to be Miss America.

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### Learn CPR

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### UJA at GW

The GW chapter of the United Jewish Appeal, a non-profit organization that raises money to be distributed to the underprivileged in Israel, is holding a meeting Feb. 2 at 8 p.m. For more information, call 676-2586.

## Murder

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together. I think this happened as a result of his past, not his present."

"When you grow up and live in Washington, things like that can happen," Thompson said. "The resurgence of crime in D.C. is so high, especially for an inner-city black male."

"To me, it makes you realize it can be anyone," said Miriam Colbert, a BPU official. "You can live in Maryland or Virginia. It can happen to anyone."

## Amnesty issue reaches GW

### Freshmen found new chapter, off to a good start

by Debbie Carlow  
Hatchet Staff Writer

When freshman Sara Solomon entered GW last fall, she was disappointed upon learning the University did not have an Amnesty International chapter.

Unlike most students, however, Solomon, who said she became interested in the amnesty issue after receiving handouts at U2 and Sting concerts, said she wanted to do something about the lack of a program.

When more students began to inquire about the group, Solomon said she decided to commit herself to starting a campus chapter.

With the help of freshman Joanna Boeri, Solomon did just that. In October 1987, they founded the GW chapter of the worldwide organization dedicated to releasing world prisoners who have been denied their human rights.

When 80 students attended the first official meeting, Solomon told the group, "It doesn't matter how many people are at the meetings, we just need a good, strong core ... and the main thing is to get petitions signed."

The District is home to two Amnesty International groups, both based in Dupont Circle. GW, Georgetown University and many area high schools belong to one of these groups. Each school is assigned one or two prisoners from another country in an attempt to pressure the U.S. government to free the prisoners by holding rallies, signing petitions, circulating pamphlets

and sending letters on behalf of their particular prisoner.

GW's chapter was assigned Arvydas Cekanavicius, a Lithuanian human rights activist, and Carlos Lorca Tobar, a Chilean psychiatrist who "knew too much" and mysteriously disappeared.

When Solomon returned from her Christmas break, however, she learned that Cekanavicius had been released after 15 years of imprisonment.

"Joanna and I were very excited," Solomon said. "We're just getting involved in a good cause and we have no expectations of our prisoners getting free ... it usually seems hopeless."

When asked if she felt a sense of accomplishment about Cekanavicius' freedom, she said, "We like to think we're helping somehow, but we can't take all the responsibility."

Amnesty International is not a political group, Solomon said. "In fact, that is a common misconception ... Amnesty International overlooks politics and does not condemn governments or political theories. It just deals with human rights."

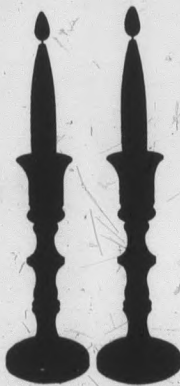
"You don't have to be a genius to be involved ... I don't follow politics and I don't have to ... as long as I know something is wrong, I want to help."

GW's chapter is planning many activities expected to aid Tobar and others like him in the continuous struggle for human rights, Solomon said.

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## Health check

# It's time for your aerobic workout

A large percentage of today's exercising population is participating in low-impact aerobics. But, what is low-impact aerobics? Some people still associate low-impact aerobics with being a lower-intensity workout. However, this couldn't be farther from the truth. The truth is that low-impact aerobics is designed to decrease the likelihood of injury while still engaging

in a high-intensity cardiovascular workout.

"Low impact" means keeping one foot on the ground at all times to decrease stress on the lower joints and connective tissue, thus preventing injuries. A variety of arm movements designed to produce a high-intensity cardiovascular workout are provided with a balanced combination of leg movements. Research

shows that more work is performed with this combined workout than with legs alone.

So you see, the benefits of low-impact aerobics are similar to those of the high-impact class if

the training heart rate is reached and maintained for 15 minutes or longer through the use of continual and vigorous movements of

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# Sports

## Women swimmers gain, men fall; forfeits help grapplers to rout

### Men's Swimming

Last year's 9-1 record has been a tough act to follow for the GW men's swimming team as it dropped another meet to lower this season's record to 1-5. The latest defeat came at American University Tuesday, 128-70.

Despite the record, GW head swimming coach Carl Cox is not disappointed with his team but is pleased by its effort. "Our swimmers are swimming excellent," he said. "They look good, they are swimming good—what else can I say."

Individually, GW senior Gerry O'Rourke finished second in the 500-yard freestyle event with a time of 4:49 while sophomore teammate Marco Herr finished fourth in the same event with a personal best of 4:55. Senior Joe O'Rourke was "just out-touched" as he finished second in the 200-yard fly with a time of 2:00.41.

The Colonial men are in action again Saturday as they take on University of Maryland-Baltimore County at 1 p.m. at the Smith Center in a dual meet with the women. The GW men then swim at William and Mary Sunday at noon.

### Wrestling

The GW wrestling team, with the aid of four forfeits, gained its fourth victory of the year against 10 defeats with a 34-15 win over Delaware State in an away match last night.

"It was a real good effort," GW head wrestling coach Jim Rota said. "It's good to win again."

In the 190-pound class senior Jim Reffelt gained his 99th career win at GW with a 3-0 victory. "Jim's win was a big boost for us," Rota said.

In the 150-pound class freshman Bryan Fox won his match, 6-4. Sophomore Sean Huyer won his 158-pound match by a score of 11-2.

To round out the Colonial win freshmen Richard Salas (118 pounds) and Donovan Manato (142 pounds) both gained wins through forfeits, while sophomore Karl Tamai (126 pounds) and junior Todd Evans (167 pounds) also won by forfeits.

The Colonial grapplers next take on James Madison and Howard universities tomorrow at 7 p.m. at the Smith Center in the "Parent's Alumni Day Match."

### Women's Swimming

The GW women's swim team splashed its way to a 144-107 victory over crosstown rival American University last night at the Smith Center to raise its record to 3-5.

"The way they're swimming now they'll finish the season about 50-50," said Pam Mauro, GW head swimming coach.

In the diving event, GW sophomore Bobbie Ferraro won both the one and three-meter events and, in the process, qualified for the NCAA nationals in both events.

In the 1000-yard freestyle event Denise Dombay finished first with a time of 11:01.10 while teammate Monique Imberski also gained a first place finish in the 100-yard backstroke at 1:02.86. Imberski swam her best time of the year in the 200-yard breast stroke event with a time of 2:34.95. Debbie Briggs also gained a first place finish as she was clocked at 2:16.88 in the 200-yard fly event.

The Colonial women stay home for their next meet against the University of Maryland/Baltimore County in a dual meet with the men at 1 p.m. Saturday.



SUSAN BLOCK struts her stuff for the GW gymnastics team.

## Colonial gymnasts fall twice, now 2-4

The GW gymnastics team was beaten in two road meets last weekend, falling to 2-4 this season.

Temple defeated the Colonial women 174.05 to 169.25 Sunday. Despite the loss, GW's Beth Schueler broke a school record with a score of 9.45 on the vault. With a total all-around score of 34.9, GW freshman Lisa Geczik was the second highest scorer behind Temple's Kris Hollenbach with 35.30.

Last Friday at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, GW was defeated 173.6 to 166.35. Once again Geczik and Schueler dominated the scoring for GW. On the

vaults Schueler tied IUP's Lori Henkemeyer with a score of 9.3. Other impressive GW scores included a 9.0 by Chris DeLorenzo on the vault and an event-winning 8.65 for senior Anne Foster on the uneven bars.

The Colonial women will host the GW Invitational at the Smith Center this weekend. GW once again will face Temple and IUP, as well as Bridgeport, University of Pennsylvania and nationally ranked William & Mary.

"This is a very prestigious event with a lot of talented gymnasts," said Rhea Farberman, GW sports information director. "It's the largest collegiate gymnastics meet in the area."

## GW squash upsets Wesleyan

The GW squash team recorded its second win against four losses last weekend when it defeated Wesleyan University, 5-4, in Connecticut.

The match was deadlocked at 4-4 when GW junior Charlie Zenzie won the deciding point in a five-game "thriller," according to GW coach Dr. Charles F. Elliott.

The win was GW's second in a row over Wesleyan after almost 40 years without a win against the school.

The Colonials' other victory this season was an 8-1 thrashing of Stevens Tech last Friday. GW has lost to the Navy JVs, Penn JVs, Colby College and Vassar College.

"I think we've got a strong team," Elliott said.

"We're really roaring now."

Elliott cited number one player junior Rob Bernard and number four player freshman Allan Steel as consistent performers for GW so far this season.

"Bernard and Steel are just really super," Elliott said. "Every time he (Steel) plays he gets better and better."

Other players include freshmen Hassan Kalanter and Ali Salam, juniors Martin Rojas, Peter Lindstrom and John Gonas, and senior Fred Ferouz.

The Colonials play two matches this Friday at Haverford College. GW faces Haverford at 4 p.m. and Lehigh at 6 p.m.

-Doug Most

## Women's basketball team deserving of fan support

Here we go with the good news/bad news syndrome.

The good news: GW does have a legitimate basketball team that needs all the support it can get. The bad news: the student body has yet to discover it and consequently is showing up at the wrong games.

The GW women's basketball team has a 13-4 record, including a 7-1 mark in the Atlantic 10 Conference. This is good for second place in the conference behind nationally-ranked Rutgers and ahead of third place St. Joseph's, who meet the Colonial women at the Smith Center tonight at 7:30.

Three of GW's four losses have come at the hands of top 20 teams—Maryland, Rutgers, James Madison—all of the losses occurring during the first five games of the year. Since then, GW is 11-1. At home, the Colonial women are 7-2 but, more important, they are 6-2 on the road.

GW is second in free throw percentage in the A-10 (78.3 percent) and third in both

points-scored (71.7 ppg) and points-allowed (64.8 ppg).

GW senior forward Kas Allen leads the Colonial women in rebounding with a 9.7 average, and with a career total of 777 rebounds needs just 64 more to become the GW career leader. To add to her achievements, she has been nominated for

### Richard W.C. Lin

CoSIDA Academic All-American honors.

As a team, if the Colonial women win tonight and barring any upset during the rest of the season, they could finish in second place, tied for second or no worse than third. Not bad for a team predicted in preseason polls to finish fourth.

Last year the top three teams in the A-10 advanced to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Women's Basketball

Tournament. This could be GW's year. If this is not the year, however, the committee members who make the decision should be aware of the up-and-coming program in Foggy Bottom. Come on, fans, support the Colonial women—they're going places.

Meanwhile, on the men's side, GW head coach John Kuester must realize that his team hasn't got a chance for a bid to either the NCAA or NIT tournament considering its current eight-game losing streak. So why doesn't he play the reserves more to see who will develop for next year's squad? Maybe he's afraid to do something smart.

In a little less than 30 minutes of playing time a game, GW's 6-9 junior center Max Blank is only averaging 4.9 rebounds a game. Is that what an effective starting center should be grabbing each game? It seems obvious that Blank can't play or concentrate on a competitive level, so to speak.

Maybe Kuester should consider playing 6-7 junior Brian Royal more, or somebody who is willing to hustle for each loose ball;

play defense, box out and who isn't afraid to bang around with the big boys. In GW's loss last year at Syracuse, Royal had a blocked shot against then all-world freshman Derrick Coleman.

Royal's statistics projected over the same amount of time that Blank plays would come out a little bit more productive. Maybe Kuester is afraid something good, like winning, will occur.

Sophomore Frank Williams is the best passer and ball handler on the team. Why he doesn't play is mind-boggling! Speed is not the most important factor to being a successful point guard. Look at Arizona's Steve Kerr and clips of Kuester himself when he played at North Carolina.

Swingman Gerald Jackson is supposed to be one of the better athletes on the team and averages 11.5 points-per-game. Please Coach Kuester, make some changes. Your starting lineup just doesn't cut it.

Richard W.C. Lin is a sportswriter for The GW Hatchet.